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OFFICE OF INITIAL PATENT EXAMINATION - STATUS INQUIRY

Dear Sir/Madam:

On April 5, 2003, the Applicant sent a status inquiry into the U.S. Patent Office regarding the above-referenced patent application. In reply, the U.S. Patent Office sent a correspondence dated April 11, 2003 informing us that the first office action was likely not going to be received until fifteen months after the mailing date of the correspondence. Now that it has been fifteen months since receiving this correspondence, we are requesting a revised status of the above-referenced patent application. We appreciate your assistance in verifying the status.

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Should there be any questions regarding this matter, please contact the undersigned at
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Respectfully submitted,

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